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SUBJECT: CCD--PARTICIPATION IN NFZ STUDY GROUP

FOR CCD DEL

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1. FOLLOWING ARE SOME CONSIDERATIONS CCD DEL SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT IN ASSESSING FACTORS INVOLVED IN NFZ GROUP PARTICIPATION.

2. SOVIET PROPOSAL TO HAVE AUSTRALIA BALANCED BY ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF WARSAW PACT COULD CAUSE PROBLEMS. IF US DEL ACQUIESCED IN PROPOSAL, THIS COULD BE READ BY EXCLUDED MEMBERS OF WESTERN GROUP AS UNJUSTIFIABLE PREFERENCE TO NON-MEMBER OF CCD. OTHER DELS INCLUDING NON-ALIGNED MAY BE CRITICAL OF DECISION TO BALANCE MEMBER AGAINST NON-MEMBER.

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3. LOGIC OF NAZARKHIN'S PROPOSAL TO INCREASE WARSAW PACT REPRESENTATION TO SIX BY ADDING GDR IF FRG IS INCLUDED IS NOT CLEAR. SUGGEST YOU PROPOSE SUBSTITUTING GDR FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA IF GDR MUST BE INCLUDED.

4. NFZ GROUP OF TWENTY-FIVE IMPLIES EXCLUSION OF ONLY NINE CCD MEMBERS WHICH, AS REFTEL RECOGNIZES, MAY BE HARD TO DEFEND, AND WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE MUCH DIFFERENT IN FACT FROM GROUP THAT IS OPEN TO ALL CCD MEMBERS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE. SEVERAL OF NINE THUS EXCLUDED MIGHT DECIDE NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY CASE, OR TO PARTICIPATE ON ONLY TOKEN BASIS. OTHERS, INCLUDING SOME OF OUR ALLIES, WOULD PROBABLY RESENT EXCLUSION. TOTAL OF TWENTY-FIVE ALONG LINES SUGGESTED IN REFTEL WOULD ALSO HAVE DISADVANTAGE, DISCUSSED PARA 3 ABOVE, OF GIVING WARSAW PACT EXTRA SEAT. UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES, IF GROUP SMALLER THAN TWENTY-FIVE NOT FEASIBLE, WOULD APPEAR PREFERABLE TO OPEN NFZ GROUP TO ALL CCD MEMBERS THAT WISH TO PARTICIPATE. INGERSOLL

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